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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM Transportation Grant Transmittal No. 11 October 1, 2014

TO:

Local Transportation Grant Managers

FROM:

Susan J. Tucker, Executive Director

Office of Health Services

RE:

Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) Retroactive Coverage

NOTE:

Please ensure that the appropriate staff members in your organization

are informed of the content of this transmittal.

The purpose of this transmittal is to clarify retroactive eligibility coverage under the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) Grant for individuals in a nursing facility who have applied for medical assistance.

Transportation grantees will determine eligibility for retroactive NEMT coverage. Retroactive eligibility coverage may be determined for the period of 3 months immediately prior to the month of application. If the applicant is eligible for Medicaid, the grantee must pay all transport bills incurred during the retroactive period. A vendor has 12 months from the date on which eligibility was determined to submit a claim for payment. If the recipient or other party made payment for the transportation during the 3 months retroactive eligibility coverage period, the vendor must make a full refund to the Medicaid recipient or other party. NEMT funds may not be used to cover the cost of transportation if eligibility is denied for the date(s) of service.

If you have any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact the NEMT Program at 410-767-7283 or dhmh.nemt@maryland.gov.